



The Town Crier

A Newsletter from the Town of Warrenton



One of the Joys of Small Town Life

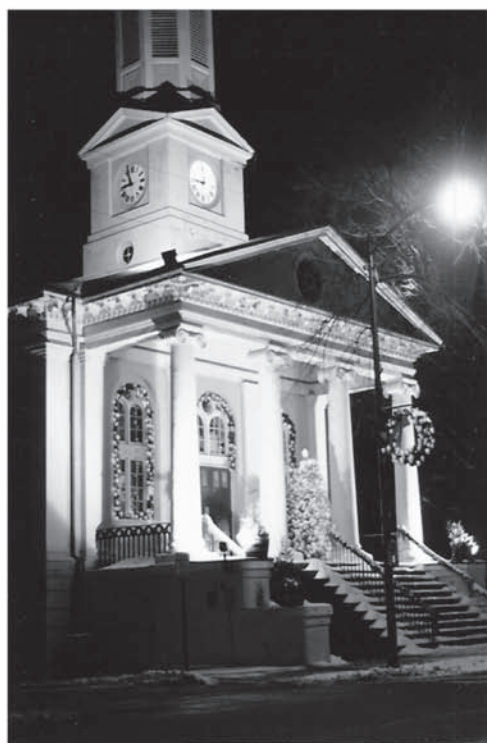
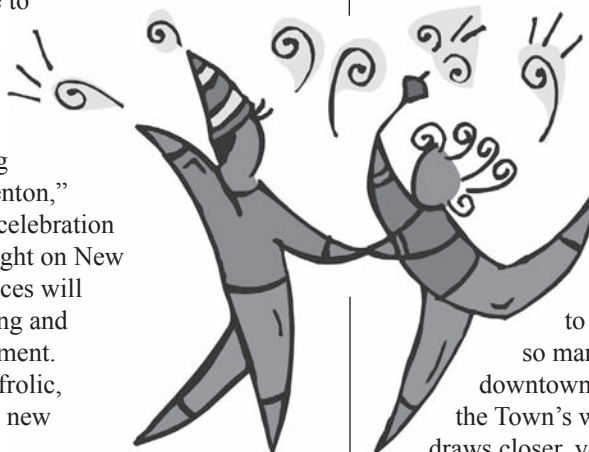
The Town of Warrenton is a wonderful place for a stroll any time of year. There are friends to greet, sights to see and the charms of small town life to enjoy. And New Year's Eve is one of the best times to stroll and enjoy Warrenton.

Once again, the Town of Warrenton will ring in the coming new year with "First Night Warrenton," a family-oriented, non-alcoholic celebration of 2011. From 7:00 PM to midnight on New Year's Eve the Town's public spaces will bounce with music, magic, dancing and other forms of first-rate entertainment. Add some friends, food, fun and frolic, and it's a nice way to kick off the new year.

First Night is a celebration of the arts that's great for every age. The folks at Bluemont arrange the entertainment

for the Town, so it's always high-quality. Twenty or thirty different acts can be found performing in warm spaces all over town. You can catch a jazz trio, move down the street and see a chainsaw juggler, hear live acoustic, rock or ethnic music some place else, and then let the kids enjoy a puppet show. When the magic hour approaches, everyone gathers at the steps of the old courthouse to ring in the new year.

First Night is even more fun if you do it with friends. So get your cohorts to commit to joining you, and come see why so many folks love to celebrate the new year in downtown Warrenton. Watch the local paper and the Town's website for more information. As the event draws closer, you can also find out who's performing by checking the Bluemont website (www.bluemont.org). ■



Christmas in Old Town Warrenton

HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES .

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3 (6-9 p.m.)

Illumination Walk . Tree lighting . Horse-drawn Hayrides . Music . Live Performances . Santa Claus . GumDrop Square .

(with the exception of the Illumination Walk and the Tree Lighting, these activities will recur on December 10.)

Christmas Parade .

Saturday, Dec. 4 at 10 a.m.

GumDrop Square (Santa Claus)

Fridays: Dec. 3, 10 & 17 6-9 p.m.

Saturday: Dec. 4 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Saturdays: Dec. 11 & 18 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sundays: Dec. 5, 12 & 19 1 - 3 p.m.

Recycle That Tree!

The Town of Warrenton's Christmas Tree Recycling Program makes it easy for you to dispose of your tree after the holidays. Just place your old tree at the street



line by 8:00 AM on Monday, January 10, 2011, and crews will come through your neighborhood and collect it between January 10 and 14. It's impossible to say which day the crews will get to your neighborhood, so it's important that your tree be out there early on the first day.

Remember that since the trees are fed through a chipper and turned into organic mulch, you should remove all ornaments, tinsel, lights and stands from your tree. Leave your tree outside at the curb just the way nature made it, and it will be returned to the good earth as mulch around the trees and gardens of Warrenton.

If you have any questions about Warrenton's Tree Collection, call Public Works at (540) 347-1858. ■

Mark Your Calender... Spring Clean-Up Planned

It may seem a bit early to be thinking of spring already, but perhaps you missed Fall Clean-Up Week. The Town of Warrenton's Spring Clean-Up Week is scheduled for the week of April 18-22, 2011, so make sure you scribble it on your calendar for next year.

During that week, Town crews will come around to pick up large items, refuse, debris and other items that cannot be handled on residential refuse pick-ups. This is a residential collection only.

For more information about this collection, check the Town's website, watch for the spring issue of the Town Crier or call Public Works at (540) 347-1858. ■



Recycling Program Update

The Town of Warrenton would like to thank all the residents for their dedicated participation in the recycling of newspapers, corrugated cardboard and the "Blue Bag" program. Your support is greatly appreciated as we try to support and provide the services that help keep our community clean and safe.

For those who do not recycle, please take a moment to learn about the Town's Recycling Program, and consider participation. Everybody's effort, whether large or small, makes a big difference.

Currently the Town collects and hauls approximately 8 to 10+ tons of cardboard, newspaper, glass, plastic and metals to the recycling centers every week. That tonnage is usable material that is kept out of the landfill.

Every Wednesday is recycling pick-up day in the Town. Put your recyclables out at the curbside by 8:00 AM, and Town crews will collect them for you. The Town has three different recycling collections: blue bags, corrugated cardboard and newspaper.

Blue Bags

Blue Bags are only for glass bottles and jars, type 1 and 2 plastics, and steel and aluminum cans. Please do not put any Styrofoam, aerosol cans, grocery bags, paper or cardboard in the blue bags. If your blue bags have the wrong material in them, Town crews will not pick them up.

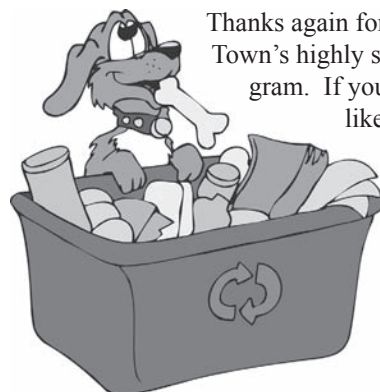
Blue bags are available free to Town residents. You can pick them up at the Warrenton Visitor Center, located at 33 N. Calhoun Street (next to the Mosby Museum).

Cardboard

The Town's cardboard pick-up is for corrugated cardboard only – no cereal, cake mix or soda can boxes. These are made of fiberboard which cannot be recycled at this time. When cardboard is set out, it should be empty – no trash, packing material or papers in it. You can break your boxes down or leave them intact, whichever is easier for you.

Newspaper

Newspaper recycling is for newspapers, phone books and magazines. They should be bundled with string or placed in a paper bag; they need to be visible so the men can tell that it is paper for recycling.



Thanks again for participating in the Town's highly successful Recycling Program. If you have questions or would like more information, call Public Works at (540) 347-1858. ■

Celebrate the Holidays at the WARF

Very soon the weather outside will be frightful, but inside the WARF, things will be delightful all through the cold winter months. When it gets too cold for your regular outdoor workout, or you just have a bad case of cabin fever, remember that it's toasty warm at the WARF all year round. It's a great place to stay in shape and have fun.

WARF Holiday Hours of Operation

Thanksgiving Eve – Wednesday, November 24

Closes at 6:00 PM

Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 25 – Closed

Christmas Eve – Friday, December 24

Closes at 12:00 noon

Christmas Day – Saturday, December 25 – Closed

New Years Eve – Friday, December 31

Closes at 3:00 PM

New Years Day – Saturday, January 1 – Closed

The Perfect Gift

The holidays are just around the corner! What better way to celebrate and give thanks than to give the gift of fitness, fun and health to someone you love and appreciate? WARF Gift Cards make the perfect gift for family members, teachers, coaches, friends and loved ones. There's something for everyone at the WARF, so you can't go wrong. Gift Cards are sold in increments of 5, 10 and 20-visit passes. Prices are based on the age and residency of the gift recipient.



High School Swim Season

The high school swim season at the WARF began in mid-November and will continue through the winter months. This is a busy and exciting time of year for swimmers from Fauquier High School, Liberty High School, Wakefield School, Highland School and Middleburg Academy.

Swim team pool rentals help to increase traffic and revenue for the WARF while also helping local youth have more opportunities to develop their interest in swimming. And swim meets at the WARF provide local swimmers with the opportunity to compete in their home pool.

The community is always welcome to attend both high school and U.S. swim meets to cheer on local swimmers. Members and guests can stay informed of the upcoming facility schedule by picking up a Swim Meet Schedule and Lap Lane Schedule at the Front Desk, or by checking the Town website at www.warrentonva.gov.

New Fitness Opportunities In the New Year

Stay tuned in January for some great promotions at the WARF, including membership specials, new aquatics classes and specialty fitness classes. A new session of Specialty Group Fitness classes will begin January 17. Here are just some of the exciting fitness formats the WARF will have in the New Year:

Flow Yoga in the Water – Come explore the world of aquatic Yoga. Because of the unique properties of water, people of all fitness levels can safely enjoy and benefit from yoga in the water.

Indoor/Outdoor Bootcamp – Looking for structure, motivation, and a results-driven workout to boost your level of fitness? This class is for you!

Tai Chi – Come try this form of Chinese Martial Art known as “moving meditation.”

Advanced Pilates – This class is an opportunity to focus on advanced moves with an instructor who will provide personalized attention to each participant's breath, form and movement.

Aqua Bootcamp – It's Indoor/Outdoor Bootcamp – only in the water! You will work on aerobic and strength improvement through shallow water, deep water and moving water (Lazy River) exercises.

Balletone – This class focuses on core improvement through a series of ballet style postures. There is work on strength,

breath, balance and flexibility. It's fun, and no dance experience is needed!

Pedal and Pump – An indoor cycle/strength interval workout with a challenging, high-energy early morning workout.

Cycle Warrior – An advanced indoor cycle workout for the experienced cyclist who is looking to “push to the next level.” It focuses on “Race Day” type riding with lots of climbs and jumps to challenge you.

Registration is required for these classes. For more information about upcoming Group Fitness and Aquatics classes, please contact the WARF's Front Desk at (540) 349-2520. ■



Holiday Refuse Schedule

Thanksgiving – November 25

Monday, 11/22/10 – Regular refuse collection
Tuesday, 11/23/10 – Regular refuse collection
Wednesday, 11/24/10 – Regular recycling collection
(cardboard, newspaper and blue bags)
Thursday, 11/25/10 – Holiday; no refuse collection
Friday, 11/26/10 – Holiday; no refuse collection

Christmas – December 25

Monday, 12/20/10 – Regular refuse collection
Tuesday, 12/21/10 – Regular refuse collection
Wednesday, 12/22/10 – Recycling collections
(blue bags, cardboard & newspaper)
Thursday, 12/23/10 – Thur. & Fri.'s collection
Friday, 12/24/10 – Holiday; no refuse collection

New Years Day – January 1

Monday, 12/27/10 – Regular refuse collection
Tuesday, 12/28/10 – Regular refuse collection
Wednesday, 12/29/10 – Recycling collections
(blue bags, cardboard & newspaper)
Thursday, 12/30/10 – Thur. & Fri.'s collection
Friday, 12/31/10 – Holiday; no refuse collection

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Jan. 17

Monday, 1/17/11 – Holiday; no Refuse Collection
Tuesday, 1/18/11 – Mon. & Tues.'s collection
Wednesday, 1/19/11 – Recycling collections
(blue bags, cardboard & newspaper)
Thursday, 1/20/11 – Regular refuse collection
Friday, 1/21/11 – Regular refuse collection

Presidents Day – February 21

Monday, 2/21/11 – Holiday; no Refuse Collection
Tuesday, 2/22/11 – Mon. & Tues.'s collection
Wednesday, 2/23/11 – Recycling collections
(blue bags, cardboard & newspaper)
Thursday, 2/24/11 – Regular refuse collection
Friday, 2/25/11 – Regular refuse collection

NOTE: There will be a refuse truck available at the Pubic Works Facility (360 Falmouth Street) during the holidays for anyone wishing to dispose of any excess trash.

Water Theft Is A Crime



You'd think it would go without saying that the Town's fire hydrants are for Fire Department and Town utility use only. But especially during months where water conservation is in place, some thieves actually steal water from the Town's hydrants.

Please be on the lookout for any suspicious tampering of fire hydrants, and report it to the Town of Warrenton Police. It's against the law, and is an offense

punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Normally, tank trucks may legally obtain water at the Town of Warrenton Water Treatment Facility. However, when water conservation measures are in place, all water truck filling is stopped. When these vandals illegally get water from a fire hydrant, they are not only stealing water, they are increasing the chances of damaging the fire hydrant and hampering its operability in the event of a fire.

Questions or concerns may be addressed to the Utilities Section at (540) 347-1858. ■



Oh, the Weather Outside Is...

Let's face it... Winter = Snow + Ice around these parts. It's up to all of us to do our part to make our roads and walkways safe for our fellow citizens. The Town Code is pretty specific about everyone's responsibilities. But in case you can't quite quote Section 14.5 of the Code of Warrenton (Disposal of Snow, Ice, etc.), here's our annual refresher.

The Town Code requires the occupant of any house and lot which abuts a paved sidewalk or a footway (of stone, brick or wood) to have all snow removed from the sidewalk or footway within six hours after the snow has ceased falling. Here's one exception: if the snow has fallen during the night or on a Sunday, it has to be removed by 12:00 noon the following day.

The requirements for sheet ice and sleet are the same, except that when the ice or sleet can't be removed without personal injury, or damage to the sidewalk or footway, you have to spread sand, ashes or some other substance which will render it safe for travel on foot.

Now, to get more technical: if a house or lot is unoccupied, it's the duty of the owner (or the owner's agent) to have the snow or ice removed from his sidewalk or footway in the same manner set forth above for occupants of properties.

It's a good idea to take the Town's policy pretty seriously, because each violation is a Class 4 misdemeanor, and every six hours that the snow or ice is allowed to remain is a separate offense.

Please also remember that it's unlawful for any person removing ice or snow from his premises to place or deposit it on any street or sidewalk.

Snow Emergency Routes

The Streets listed below are classified as Snow Emergency Routes. That means it's unlawful for any person or business to park a vehicle on any of these streets during snow emergencies. Vehicles that are stalled, stuck, parked or abandoned on any of these streets during a snow emergency may be removed by the police at the owner's expense.

Alexandria Pike
Blackwell Road
Bear Wallow Road
Broadview Avenue
Culpeper Street
Falmouth Street
Frost Avenue
Lee Highway
Main Street
Shirley Avenue (East and West)
Waterloo Road
Waterloo Street
Winchester Street

During snowstorms, when the Town's trucks are out spreading chemicals or plowing, they start with the arterial roads first (main roads). Once they feel they have the main roads under control, they'll start hitting the secondary roads (side streets). During major storms that require plowing, the snow is pushed to the right side, toward the curb or road edge. So if there's any way possible for residents who have on-street parking to park their vehicles off the road, this will make it easier for the trucks to plow, and also keep your vehicles from being plowed in. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Please help us as we attempt to make the Town's streets safe and clean for everyone. Any questions regarding Town ordinances or snow emergency policies may be directed to the Public Works Department at (540) 347-1858. ■





Town Office Hours and Telephone Numbers

Town Office Hours are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

The area code is 540 unless otherwise noted.

Finance Department.....	347-1102
Inspections	347-2405
Maintenance Shop.....	347-1858
Police Department	
Office of the Chief	347-1105
Police Station	347-1107
Non-emergency	347-1100
Emergency	911
Planning and Zoning	347-2405
Recreation Department (Aquatic Center)	349-2520
Recycling	347-1858
Sewage Plant.....	347-1104
Town Hall.....	347-1101
Town Manager	347-4505
Utilities.....	347-6574
Water Bills	347-2678
Water Plant.....	347-1103
TTD/TTY	1-800-828-1120

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